Readoption Review

Tuberculosis Control 410 IAC 2

IC 4-22-2.5-3.1(c) requires an agency to conduct a review to consider whether there are alternative methods of achieving the purpose of the rule that are less costly or less intrusive, or that would minimize the economic impact of the proposed rule on small business.

Description of Rule:

This rule provides definitions and reporting requirements for individuals infected with Tuberculosis (TB) which is a communicable disease and the type of notifications which must take place between jurisdictions when a patient moves.

Readoption Analysis:

- 1) Is there a continued need for this rule?
 - Yes, there is a continued need for 410 IAC 2-1-1; 2-1-2; and 2-1-3 because ISDH needs to continue to monitor patients with TB to help protect public health. The remainder of the rule is out dated and can be allowed to sunset. The part of the rule that is being allowed to sunset is no longer applicable due to changes in medical standards of care, the retirement of TB hospitals and TB out-Patient Clinics which receive subsidy payments from the ISDH.
- 2) What is the nature of any complaints or comments received from the public, including small business, concerning the rule or the implementation of the rule by the agency?

 No complaints have been received.
- 3) Examine the complexity of the rule, including difficulties encountered by the agency in administering the rule and small businesses in complying with the rule.

 ISDH has not encountered any difficulties administering the rule or had a problem with small businesses complying with the rule.
- To what extent does the rule overlap, duplicate, or conflict with other federal, state, or local laws, rules, regulations, or ordinances?

 410 IAC 1-2.3, the Communicable Disease Reporting rule, also has a TB reporting requirement. This rule requires more to be reported than the Communicable Disease Rule does. However, the Communicable Disease rule is in the process of being updated which will include an update of the TB portion to match this rule. The other portions of the rule do not overlap with other rules.
- When was the last time the rule was reviewed under this section or otherwise evaluated by the agency, and the degree to which technology, economic conditions, or other factors have changed in the area affected by this rule since that time?

 It was last evaluated in 2007. In the years since, there has been no need for the sections that are being allowed to sunset.